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Surface Transportation Board  
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Attention: finance docket #34797

We appreciate the fact that you have given the residents of Wilmington another chance to weigh in the New England Transrail proposal.

Having lived over 30 years approximately 1/4 mile from the Olin site, we know full well the problems and associated health risks living close this plant.

This area is unique in the fact of the numerous companies in very close proximity to the private homes... and Olin plant. Many companies in this area use harmful hazardous <sup>MATERIALS</sup> on a regular basis.

The air in this area has been obnoxious for years. This caused a great deal on anxiety for the residents. Many of these companies have been 21E sites.

Has there been a comprehensive Air Study done? Will there be one done? The quality of the air is of utmost importance to the children adults and elderly. A nursing home is in the same 1/4 mile radius. This same nursing home had to be evacuated because of a ammonia accident at the Olin <sup>SITE</sup> some years back.

A spill at the Zeneca plant had the area breathing in very toxic vapors over a whole weekend.

A study now ongoing by the Mass Department of Health because of the high rate of childhood leukemia A Cancer Cluster in children is wrecking havoc in many households.

Please take into consideration all of the above abuses that we had to endure over the years.. Please do not allow this company to come into Wilmington.

Sincerely,

*Vera Scolastico*

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*Thomas J. Scolastico*